TWENTIETH CENTURY TO THE PRESENT: THE DEATH OF PHILOSOPHY

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For Kathy, friend, mentor and wife. *Stupor Mundi.*

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INTRODUCTION

These reports are intended for a general, nonspecialist audience. They run the gamut of the arts and sciences, historical and current events, and should provide the reader with useful introductions to given topics. May they encourage a few happy hours of suggestive thought!

TWENTIETH CENTURY TO THE PRESENT: THE DEATH OF PHILOSOPHY

It is the most polluted river in the world. Flowing through India and Bangladesh, it is 2500 meters long and supplies water to forty percent of India's population across eleven states, to 500 million people, poisoning them without surcease day and night. It is the Devil's own river, supercharged

with disease, placing animal waste, human waste, industrial waste and dead bodies on the throne of absolute power, and making India a veritable nightmare nation. This is the Ganges River, the largest river in India, spreading death by water and causing eighty percent of all illnesses in the nation. Located 7000 kilometers away from the Ganges River is a spiritual Ganges which has been poisoning a culture for centuries. It is the Ganges River of irrational philosophies and it has been the cause of every illnesses of spirit and soul afflicting this culture since its inception. The culture is known as the West; it emerged in Europe in 1000 AD on the rubble of Classical culture; and though these cultures emerged on the same continent, no two cultures in the world were more opposed in spirit and soul. Classical culture was the culture of Apollo, the god of reason, light, truth, order, healing, perfection and the sun, driving his golden chariot across the sky every morning, bringing light and warmth to the world. The creed of Apollo is the creed of the sane person. It is the creed which affirms that physical objects are the primary existents, that these objects are directly perceived by consciousness, that the natures of things are known by a process of abstraction from the data of the senses, that everything which exists is as it is, and that the fundamental law of reality is this law of identity that A is A. Western culture by contrast rejects the creed of Apollo and is the culture of Faust. The German scholar who sold his soul to the Devil in exchange for infinite will and power, Faust encapsulates the creed of the West as Apollo encapsulated the creed of the ancient Greeks and Romans. It is the creed of the insane person. It proclaims that physical objects cannot be directly perceived by consciousness or do not exist at all, that man directly perceives only the contents of his own consciousness, that the natures of things are not known by a process of abstraction from the data of the senses but by a process of mental navel gazing and witch doctor like deduction from the contents of consciousness, and that nothing is as it is and contradiction is the fundamental law of reality. This Faustian creed of the insane person has been discharging poison into the spirit and soul of the West for centuries, and in the twentieth century, after uinremitting volleys of assault, it led to the final death of philosophy. Look at the centuries long antecedents and look at the results produced in the twentieth century and the present day, and see the terrifying operation of a chain of cause and effect which has destroyed the human mind. **The Antecedents.** Called the Father of Modern Philosophy, Rene Descartes proclaims that the existence of physical objects is not something self evident but must be proved by argument. The sole human certainty is just the prior certainty of the existence of one's own consciousness, and the only things man can directly perceive are just his own ideas. The most influential, emblematic and discussed philosopher in modern times, Immanuel Kant proclaims his mission with the boldness and brazenness of the psychotic: "I have found it necessary to deny knowledge in order to make room for faith." *To deny knowledge*: direct, unequivocal, unambiguous and quintessentially Western Faustian, a statement which civilized people had to read for themselves to believe, a statement which sought to subvert the Enlightenment in which Kant lived and to return the West to its Faustian roots, a call to arms to the pyschotics of the world to rise up and storm the ramparts of human progress and enlightenment, a statement absorbed and venerated up to the present by psychiatric patients throughout the world. Kant proclaims that human perception is a screen of illusion and that physical objects do not exist. What is called the physical world is a product of human perception, and there is nothing outside of perception, no physical existence, for man to perceive. When man is conscious, he is conscious of nothing, and when he perceives, he perceives nothing, and man is blind because he has eyes and has a functioning visual system. Listen to Kant argue on the basis of a false premise and draw an insane conclusion. The false premise is that all knowledge is internal and acquired independently of experience in the manner of a witch doctor. The insane conclusion is that all knowledge is therefore subjective, the product of fixed, innate, irremoveable screens, and that perception creates objects and objects do not create perception, as traditionally thought: "Hitherto it has been assumed that all our knowledge must conform to objects. But all attempts to extend our knowledge of objects by establishing something in regard to them *apriori*, by means of concepts independently of experience, have, on this assumption, ended in failure. We must therefore see if we may not have

more success in the tasks of metaphysics if we suppose that objects must conform to our knowledge." (*Critique Of Pure Reason*). Listen to Kant proclaim that man's forms of perception are necessarily subjective, and the perceived world of physical objects is a mere subjective appearance and representation. The traditional, common sense doctrine of realism that when man perceives, he perceives something, is a baseless superstition: "I understand by the idealism of appearances the doctrine that they are all together to be regarded as mere representations and not things in themselves, and accordingly that time and space are mere forms of perception and thus subjective, and not determinations given for themselves or conditions of objects as things in themselves. To this idealism is opposed realism, which regards space and time as something given in themselves, independently of perception." (*Critique Of Pure Reason*). **The Results.** The Cartesian-Kantian effluents discharged into the West would destroy philosophy in the twentieth century. The destruction took the forms of two schools of thought, both proceeding from the premise that man does not perceive physical objects, and differing only with respect to the name of the subjective reality they held that man in fact perceives. One school, called analytic philosophy, proclaimed that man perceives words and that philosophy consists in an analysis of language, while another school, called continental philosophy, proclaimed that man perceives mind, and that philosophy consists in an analysis of mind. The effluents began rising precipitously in the late nineteenth century before they crashed in the twentieth century and flooded the West with blazing mental sewage. Listen to Gottlob Frege proclaim in 1884 that words do not refer to objects in reality to only to other words: "Never ask for the meaning of a word in isolation, but only in the context of a proposition." (*The Foundations of Arithmetic: A Logical-Mathematical Enquiry Into The Concept of Number*). The dawn of the twentieth century saw the onset of a final cataract of Western Faustian psychosis. The two most influential philosophers over the past one hundred and twenty five years are Martin Heidegger and Ludwig Wittgenstein. Listen to Heidegger proclaim that reality is an infinite, indeterminate, unperceivable, unknowable, supernatural mind: "*Body*, *soul* and *spirit* may designate phenomenal domains which can be detached as themes for definite investigations. Within certain limits their ontological indefiniteness may not be important. When, however, we come to the question of man's Being, this is not something we can simply compute by adding together those kinds of being which body, soul and spirit possess, kinds of being whose nature has not as yet been determined. And even if we should attempt such an ontological procedure, some idea of the Being of the whole must be presupposed." (*Being And Time*). Listen to Heidegger proclaim that reality is a mystical mind incapable of being known by any rational means. It is a pure, undefinable nonentity without relation to the world of the senses: "*Being* cannot be derived from higher concepts by definition, nor can it be presented through lower ones. But does this imply Being no longer offers a problem? Not at all. We can infer only that *Being* cannot have the character of an entity. Thus we cannot apply to *Being* the concept of *definition* as presented in traditional logic, which provides a justifiable way of characterizing entities." (*Being And Time*). Listen to Wittgenstein proclaim that reality cannot be investigated by the senses but only by pure linguistic manipulation: "Problems are solved, not by giving new information, but by arranging what we have known since time immemorial." (*Philosophical Investigations*). Listen to Wittgenstein proclaim that language has no basis in an extralinguistic world and words refer to no pictures in reality: "A picture held us captive. And we could not get outside it, for it lay in our language and language seemed to repeat it to us inexorably." (*Philosophical Investigations*). Listen to Wittgenstein proclaim that language is an endless maze, complex, structure and meandering river leading nowhere: "Language is a labyrinth of paths. You approach from one side and know your way about, and you approach the same place from another side and no longer know your way about." (*Philosophical Investigations*). Listen to Wittgenstein proclaim that words have no referents in reality and meaning is determined by use and not by objects: "The meaning of a word is its use in the language." (*Philosophical Investigations*). Listen to Wittgenstein proclaim that words have no content and explain nothing in reality: "Remember that we sometimes demand explanations for the sake not of their content but their form.

Our requirement is a pseudoarchitectural one. The explanation is a sham support that supports nothing." (*Philosophical Investigations*). **The High Tide.** Look at Western philosophy since the dawn of the twentieth century and see the final high tide of neoKantian sewage flow through the culture. Otto Neurath: all observations are shaped by theories. Willard Van Orman Quine: reality is created by a "web of belief". Thomas Kuhn: reality is created by arbitary thought patterns and "paradigms". Paul Feyerabend: reality is not fixed and universal but is an anarchic jungle in which "anything goes". John Austin: philosophy is not a science and has nothing to do with observation, and the problems of philosophy are nothing more than the artifacts of language. Hilary Putnam: names name nothing in reality and are determined by usage. John Dewey: reality is the product of the needs and interests of society. Jacques Derrida: reality is relative and nonphysical: "There is nothing outside the text" and "There is nothing outside context". Structuralism: reality is the product of universal human laws and structures: "The belief that phenomena of human life are not intelligible except through their interrelations. These relations constitute a structure, and behind local variations in the surface phenomena there are constant laws of abstract structure." (*Structuralism*, *Oxford Dictionary Of Philosophy*, edited by Simon Blackburn). Poststructuralism: reality is the product of local power structures such as nations and cultures. Jurgen Habermas: reality is the product of the public sphere, public communication and public consensus. The Frankfurt school: reality is the product of neoMarxist tribes, ideologies and a multigorgon monster called *Gender, Race, Class, Culture, Ethnicity and Sexual Orientation Politics*. Today's neoKantian philosophies: philosophy must reject the objective, empirical study of reality and make a mental turn, a phenomenological turn, a linguistic turn, a social turn, a national turn, a historical turn, a pragmatic turn, a cultural turn, a neoMarxist tribalist turn, and a deconstructive, interpretive and perspectival turn away from reality. The end.

TRANSGENDERS ASSASSINATE BEAUTY QUEEN

It was on par with creationism and the geocentric view of the universe. It became the party line in agronomy and for a quarter of a century was part of the official religion of Soviet Russia. Placed on its throne of absolute power by Joseph Stalin, it was founded by Trofim Lysenko and proclaimed that genes do not exist. It proclaimed that the notion of genes is incompatible with the dialectical materialist world view according to which there are no stable entities which are as they are, no essences or natures of anything, and everything in the universe becomes and nothing is. Rejecting the existence of genes which had been established by Gregor Mendel in the mid nineteenth century, Lysenkoism was enforced at the point of a gun throughout the Communist Bloc, and heretics were dismissed, jailed and disappeared into the gulag. The enforcement of religion is part and parcel of communism, after Christianity and Islam, the most popular religion on the planet. This religion of the Collective, of contradictions and oppositions, and of the endless whirling Heraclitian flux led to the destruction of reason and science in the enslaved nations under its control, and served as stark warning to civilized people of the nightmare regimes religions have brought down on mankind for thousands of years. In the twenty first century, a new religion has been added to the Marxist church, and like all its predecessors, it kills the voices of dissent. It is called transgenderism, and like Lysenkoism, it denies the existence of genes. It proclaims that human gender is not determined by genes, and is thus not fixed and immutable, but can be changed by human will, intervention or by simple belief and declaration. It proclaims that males who proclaim they are females, males alleged to be transgender females, are in fact real females and are entitled to be treated legally like real females, and females who proclaim they are males, females alleged to be transgender males, are in fact real males and are entitled to be treated legally like real males. Enforced at the point of a gun by the Western cultural and political establishment, transgenderism has struck the Miss America Pageant and killed its winner. First held on September 25, 1920, in Atlantic City, New Jersey, the Miss America Pageant exemplified wholesome, nonpoliticized, family entertainment celebrating the

beauty of human physical perfection. Dressed in an angelic, flowing white robe, the first winner was held to represent the ideal of peace: "Business interests and leisure activities came together on a New Jersey beach, and the Miss America pageant was born. In 1920 the Businessmen's League of Atlantic City came up with a plan to keep fun and profits continuing past Labor Day. For September 25th, they organized a *Fall Frolic*. Three hundred and fifty gaily decorated rolling wicker chairs were pushed along the parade route. Three hundred and fifty men pushed the chairs. However, the main attractions were the young 'maidens' who sat in the rolling chairs, headed by a Miss Ernestine Cremona, who was dressed in a flowing white robe and represented Peace." (*Beauty Pageant Origins And Culture*, PBS). **Miss America.** Look at the Miss America Pageant today and see the hijacking of a one hundred year old institution by Marxist pilots of gender ideology, and see it flown into the fever swamps of gender insanity. See the proclamation that Miss America winners must march in ideological lockstep and accept the truth of transgenderism. The notion of woman cannot be defined in biological terms because the notion is subjective and unrelated to reality. Common sense is a source of baseless superstitions, and the hallmark of human enlightenment consists in the affirmation that A is not A, and that a man is not a man and a woman is not a woman. Males and females can be transformed into each other by means of sex reassignment surgery. The surgical procedure known as vaginaplasty can create a vagina and create a woman. Boys and girls who mutilate their bodies can become members of the opposite sex. Miss America winners must rewrite truth and science and deny the existence of sex chromosomes. A progressive Miss America Pagaent allows psychotic males who proclaim they are females to compete in the name of fairness and nondiscrimination. Miss America winners who affirm the findings of science that human gender is determined by DNA and is fixed and immutable, and reject treating those who pretend to be members of the opposite sex as members of the opposite sex, are guilty of unfairness and discrimination, and must be deprived of their titles and drummed out of the human race: "Kayleigh Bush, the 2024 winner of the Miss North Florida beauty contest, has revealed that she was stripped of her Miss America title because she reused to sign a contract that would have forced her to accept transgenderism. Bush was stripped of her title in November of 2024 despite winning her contest and signing a contract to confirm her position. The beauty queen, though, claims that she was asked to sign a replacement contract several months after she won. Bush says the contract contained new language affirming transgenderism. And it was something she refused to sign. 'It was heartbreaking. It was confusing. It was disappointing', Bush said. 'Because Miss America has been honoring women for over 100 years, and now they can't even define what a woman is.' 'I used to look up to Miss America because they empowered women, but now it's really disappointing to see that they've abandoned such a common sense truth—that a man is a man and that a woman is a woman. I am disappointed in the Miss America organization, but I'm really hoping that they get back on track or return to truth', she added. The new rules maintain that applicants must be unarried women between the ages of 18 and 28. But the description of what a woman is now includes transgenderism and describes possible applicants as 'an individual who has fully completed Sex Reassignment Surgery via Vaginoplasty (from male to female).' But Bush says that she could not accept the new language affirming transgenderism. 'I was asked to sign a contract that was different than the first one that I had agreed to because they had changed it four weeks after I rightly won', Bush told *TMZ*. 'So I didn't lose my crown because I broke a rule. I lost the crown because I was unwilling to rewrite the truth.' 'We got on a conference call immediately with one of the directors for the Miss America organization', Bush said. 'And weeks and weeks and weeks of pleading with them, sending videos, sending letters, emails, demand letters through Liberty Counsel—because they picked up my case—and they just said 'no, no, no,' and they doubled down.' She added, she declined to sign the contract, 'Because I couldn't agree that a little boy could mutilate his body and become a woman.' Representatives for the Miss America contest have replied to Bush's claims and have said that its rules are meant to keep the contest from 'discriminatory' practices against possible contestants. 'Miss America's position is grounded in uniform application of its rules', a spokesperson said,

'fairness to all contestants and adherence to nondiscrimination principles. The contract does not compel Ms Bush to compromise her personal beliefs; it requires only that all contestants compete under the same standards and refrain from discriminatory conduct towards others.' " (*Miss North Florida Kayleigh Bush Says She Was Stripped Of Miss America Title After Refusing to Accept Transgenderism* by Warner Todd Huston). **Miss America.** Look at the Miss America Pageant today and see the proclamation that gender identity is subjective and unrelated to the facts of reality. The definition of female includes psychotic males who proclaim they are women. Gender is not assigned by genes but by people, and gender reassignment procedures can transform males into females and females into males. A progressive Miss America Pageant includes both real biological females and psychotic males pretending to be females, and demands that contestants play along with the deceptions of psychotic males and affirm the truth of transgenderism. Miss America winners who affirm the findings of science that human gender is determined by DNA and is fixed and immutable, and affirm that A is A and that boys cannot become girls and girls cannot become boys, must be flagged and forced to abandon their title: "Kayleigh Bush, the beauty pageant queen, has garnered attention after publicly criticizing the Miss America Organization's updated policy on gender identity. In an interview with TMZ, Bush said she was forced to walk away from her title of Miss North Florida because she refused to sign a revised contract from the organization. She was crowned Miss North Florida in September 2024. Kayleigh Bush won the Miss North Florida title, a regional competition that feeds into the national Miss America system. Weeks later, Bush said she was presented with a revised contract that expanded the definition of *female* to include those born female or individuals who have fully completed a certain gender reassignment procedure. Bush and her family argued they entered the pageant believing it was exclusively for biological females. 'I was asked to sign a contract that was different than the first one that I had agreed to, because they had changed it four weeks after I rightly won', she said, detailing the contract discussions. Bush and her mom immediately flagged the contract and got on a call with the Miss America organization. Bush said, 'Weeks and weeks and weeks of pleading with them, sending videos, sending letters, emails, through Liberty Counsel because they picked up my case.' She said the organization just denied her requests, and they later 'doubled down' on their decision. Bush ultimately refused to sign the contract and told TMZ, 'I was unwilling to agree that little boys can become girls, and I took a stand against the Miss America organization and lost my crown as a result of that.' " (*Who Is Kayleigh Bush? Beauty Queen Refused To Sign Miss America Contract Over Transgender Rights* by Shirin Gupta). **Miss America.** DNA and genes do not exist. Plants have no innate characteristics and can acquire characteristics during their own lifetimes, and can pass these on to the next generation. No plant is as it is but can become anything, just as no person is as he is but can become anything. This was Lysenkoism, and in 1948 the Lenin Academy decreed that it must be taught in all schools in Soviet Russia as unchallengeable truth. Like the opponents of Lysenkoism, Kayleigh Bush spoke truth and suffered. Exalting reality over religion and rejecting the political regimentation of thought, she lost her Miss America crown. The crown she held has been tarnished forever.